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Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments filed 09/29/2009 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

The applicant argues that the metering pulse information is stored in the media gateway. In claim 1 line 4-5 discloses "delivering from a media gateway controller to a media gateway a metering pulse information message". In claim 3 discloses that the metering pulse information consist of the "transmission interval and the number of the metering pulses to be transmitted". So the metering pulse is in the media gateway because the media gateway controller is providing the information to the media gateway.

The prior art Ress et al. as pointed out by the applicant on page 6 first paragraph also teaches of a media gateway controller that provides the number of pulses and a the transmission interval and few other parameters to the media gateway. So it could be argued by the Examiner that the media gateway in the prior art has the metering pulse information in the media gateway.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to AJAY P. CATTUNGAL whose telephone number is (571)270-7525. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday- Friday 7:30 - 5:00, Alternating Fridays OFF.

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